

OFFICIAL COUNT IS NECESSARY TO SETTLE CONTEST

**Complete Returns From 49 of
105 Counties in State.**

Nothing Definite on Auditor and Treasurer Race.

S PAYNE AND KNAPP LEADING

**g Weightman Second in Flight for
Akers's Office.**

Organ Follows Knapp With Dyer Third for Auditor.

Lineup in State Fights.
Complete returns from 49 of 104 counties.

STATE TREASURER:
Payne, 26,147.
Cook, 17,516.
Weightman, 20,197.
Evans, 19,088.

STATE AUDITOR:
Organ, 23,496.
Dyer, 22,017.

Knapp, 24,146.
STATE SUPERINTENDENT:
Ross, 37,024.
Wooster, 29,429.
Payne, 17,186.

Complete returns from forty-nine of 105 counties late this afternoon give Walter L. Payne of Burlingame the strong lead for state treasurer, while the three candidates for state superintendent are running neck and neck. Both fights may go to the office.

count. W. D. Ross has apparently won for a third nomination for state superintendent of public instruction. He has a record of having made a great showing in the primary election this year. As a result of the long show races, it is possible that two men were outside the dope sheet may win. Charles Evans of Goodland—entirely out of the advance dope—is making a bid for the trusteeship of the state tender for the transportation of mail, although Matt Weightman of Topeka is now in second place. Fred Knapp is also out of the early reckoning, is now the high candidate in the fight for state auditor. Both Organ and Dyer are right at his heels.

Complete returns had been received at 3 o'clock this afternoon from 43 of the 105 counties. Failure of election board to send abstracts of their vote to county clerks before sealing the election returns, will delay reports from many counties. The final count from over the state will not be available until Friday night, following the report of the county canvassing boards.

Complete returns had been received today from the following counties: Adams, Chisholm, Brown, Chase, Cloud, Comanche, Custer, Cowley, Crawford, Decatur, Dickinson, Douglas, Edwards, Elbert, Finney, Franklin, Graham, Grant, Greeley, Greenwood, Harvey, Haskell, Jefferson, Jewell, Leavenworth, Lincoln, Lincoln, Lyon, Marion, Marshall, McPherson,

Meade, Mitchell, Montgomery, Morris, Nemaha, Neosho, Osage, Ottawa, Pawtawtomie, Pratt, Reno, Rice, Ridgewick, Shawnee, Smith, Stafford, Sumner, Trego, Washington, Wyandotte.

Official Count.

There is little doubt that the official count will be required to settle the dispute concerning state treasurer and state auditor. Wylie W. Cook's ear leads have entirely vanished. This afternoon he is fourth in the running. Matt Weightman's position is second.

Based on returns as received today, it is probable that the finish fight for state treasurer will be between Payne and Evans. While Weightman is a decidedly formidable candidate at the time, his gains today have not been nearly as consistent as those of the Goodland man. Russell

with a number of strong counties and held a safe lead all day. His lead of 5,800 over the nearest candidate gave him an advantage.

Lyon, Marshall, Montgomery, Osage, Pottawatomie, Reno, Sedgwick, Smith and Washington. Weightman's greatest strength came from the

though he carried Jefferson, Marion and Leavenworth counties, Evans made a great race in the western counties and surprised his friends in number of the big eastern counties. He carried Brown, Franklin, Harvey, Jewell, Linn, Lyon, Riley and Sumner counties.

Ross Renominated.

With a lead of more than 7,000 over Miss Lizzie Wooster of Salina, W. L. Ross has doubtless been denominated for a third term as state superintendent. The Salina woman carried trouble to Ross in a number of counties but the Ross strength was more positive in all sections of the state and a three cornered race, Ross has doubt-

The Organ-Dyer-Knapp fight is the spectacular contest of the primary. Fred Knapp of Beloit, former secretary of the Progressive state committee, surprised every political observer in Kansas with his vote. Returns in this afternoon gave Knapp a slight lead over Organ with Dyer less than 2,000 behind Knapp and within 1,000 votes of Organ. With returns missing

Organ's strength came chiefly from the Third district and Wyandotte and Shawnee counties. Douglas, Franklin, Jewell, Linn, Dickinson, Lyon and Smith counties piled up the big pluralities for Dyer. Knapp ran consistently

Reports today from McPherson county indicated the nomination of John Hanson, the insanity lawyer, as a candidate for district judge in the Reno-Harvey-McPherson county primary. Hanson was a candidate for

associate justice of the supreme court two years ago and was but a few thousand votes short of a nomination.